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Via E-mail

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**Re: DW 17-114 – Eversource Energy &
Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc.
Acquisition of Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc.
Proposed Procedural Schedule**

Dear Ms. Howland:

On August 17, 2017, the Commission held a pre-hearing conference in the above-captioned matter. At the pre-hearing conference, the Commission heard from the parties, Staff and the Office of the Consumer Advocate as well as potential intervenors on a proposed procedural schedule to govern the remainder of this proceeding. A formal technical session did not take place following the pre-hearing conference due to time constraints. (The pre-hearing conference ended shortly after 4:00 p.m.)

There was a consensus in the pre-hearing conference that the governing statute, RSA 369:8, would be tolled through and including October 25, 2017. The petition was filed on June 29, 2017. It would have an effective approval date of 60 days from the date of filing, or August 28, 2017, if no order were to be issued by the Commission. *See* RSA 369:8 II(b)(2).

Staff respectfully requests that the Commission toll the time period for the running of the applicable statute and approve the following proposed procedural schedule for this proceeding:

Item	Action Date
Document Requests	August 28, 2017
Responses to Document Requests	September 11, 2017
Technical Session at Eversource/Manchester	September 19, 2017 (1-4 p.m.)

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Final Merits Hearing

October 4 or 5, 2017

Final Order/Secretarial Letter

October 25, 2017

A copy of this letter will be served electronically on the parties on the service list at the same time it is filed with the Commission. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



John S. Clifford
Staff Attorney

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